



## Artist in Residence Program



Voyageurs National Park's Artist in Residence program was created in recognition of the long-standing partnership between National Parks and the art community. From the beginning, adventurous artists have been drawn to the natural beauty of our National Parks, creating works of art that have inspired many people to see and experience our shared natural heritage. Art facilitates a connection between people and the parks, helping us to remember the places we have visited in the past and encouraging us to explore, care for, and enjoy our parks today.



Selected artists are invited to spend two weeks in a cabin like the one pictured above.

The Artist in Residence program at Voyageurs National Park promotes the creation of new works of art that capture the beauty and significance of the landscape. The expansive and interconnected lakes, forested islands and outcrops of ancient rock formations provide artists with an outstanding opportunity to explore and interpret the natural world and our human interactions with this place.

The Artist in Residence program at Voyageurs provides selected artists with the opportunity to spend two weeks living in a cabin near Kabetogama Lake in the Ash River area of the park. This area is a great base from which to explore the park by boat, car or on foot.

In return, participating artists are asked to donate a completed piece of artwork (ready to exhibit) to the park's permanent collection. Work should be representative of the artist's style, and inspired by their stay at Voyageurs National Park. Artists are also asked to conduct at least one public program or demonstration during their residency.

The program is open to visual artists, musicians, composers, writers and performers. For more information contact the Artist in Residence coordinator at (218) 283-9821. To apply for the Artist in Residence program complete the application form on the reverse of this page and mail it to: Artist in Residence Coordinator, Voyageurs National Park, 3131 Highway 53, International Falls, MN 56649.



Artist in Residence cabins are furnished, providing a simple but comfortable place to stay while exploring the park.

# Voyageurs National Park

## Artist in Residence Application



Applications for the program must be postmarked or delivered to the park by March 15, 2006. Notification will be made by May 15, 2006. Residencies typically occur in mid to late August.

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| Name (last, first, middle initial) <b>Please Print</b>     | Telephone Number (include area code) |
| Address (include apartment # if applicable)                | E-mail Address                       |
| Medium (oils, pastels, watercolor, sculpture, poetry, etc) |                                      |

### The Selection Process

A panel composed of professionals from various related disciplines and a park representative will choose the finalists. The selection is based on artistic integrity, the artist's ability to relate to and interpret the park, and the ability to work in a natural environment. We consider all forms of art except those that manipulate or disturb the park's environment. All work must be original. No stipend is available for artists participating in this program. Selected artists agree to donate one completed work that is representative of their style & stay at Voyageurs National Park (ready to exhibit).

Please complete this application and return to the park's Artist in Residence Coordinator with the following:

- 1) A one to two page resume and summary of creative works and statement describing what you hope to achieve from a residency at Voyageurs National Park and your ability to meet the selection criteria above.
- 2) Up to six (6) samples of recent work. Digital format (CD or DVD) is preferred over slides, prints, or VHS submissions.  
**DO NOT** submit image files via email. Please provide labeling information or a brief description for each sample with your name, medium(s), and image size (height x width).
- 3) A self-addressed stamped envelope for the return of sample materials.

Artists selected for the program are asked to conduct a program or demonstration for park visitors. Please indicate the type of activity you would be interested in leading.

- ☐ Public Art Demonstration
- ☐ Public Art Workshop
- ☐ Public Lecture
- ☐ Interactive Field Activity
- ☐ Other (describe)

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References -- Please provide name and telephone numbers of two people familiar with your artistic background & ability.

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- 2) \_\_\_\_\_

**Notice to Applicant:** Artist in Residence participants are volunteers and are not considered to be Federal Employees for any purposes other than tort claims or injury compensation. Volunteer service is not creditable for leave accrual or any other benefit. However, volunteer experience is creditable work experience.

**Privacy Act Statement:** Following information is provided to comply with the Privacy Act (PL 93-579). 5 U.S.C. 301 and 7 CFR 260 authorize acceptance of the information requested on this form. The data will be used to contact applicants and to interview, screen, and select them for volunteer Artist in Residence assignments. Furnishing this data is voluntary.

Signature (please sign in ink)

Date